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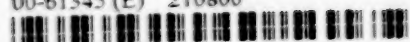
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**Note verbale dated 15 August 2000 from the Permanent Mission
of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to
the Secretary-General**

The Permanent Mission of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, with reference to the latter's note dated 1 June 2000, has the honour to confirm that the Government of the United Arab Emirates will take all the necessary measures to prevent the sale or supply to Eritrea and Ethiopia of arms and related materiel and will fulfil all the obligations enumerated in the above-mentioned note.



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**Note verbale dated 16 August 2000 from the Permanent Mission
of Belgium to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of
the Committee**

The Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1298 (2000) and has the honour to inform him that Belgium has taken the necessary steps to implement the measures imposed by paragraph 6 of the aforementioned resolution.

In Belgium, all exports of military *matériel* are subject to export licences. No export licence is granted for exports of military *matériel* to any country under a Security Council embargo. The legal provisions envisage the possibility of suspending licences already granted if circumstances so warrant (for example, if an embargo is imposed). There has been no need to implement such provisions in the case of the conflict between Ethiopia and Eritrea, since for years there have been no exports of Belgian military *matériel* to those countries.

Belgium strictly applies the arms embargo imposed by the European Union on Ethiopia and Eritrea on 15 March 1999. That embargo was in response to the appeal by the Security Council in its resolution 1227 (1999) "to end immediately all sales of arms and munitions to Ethiopia and Eritrea".

